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Kevin D. Martin, Forest Supervisor  
Umatilla National Forest  
2517 SW Hailey Avenue  
Pendleton, Oregon 97801

Re: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Comments on the Umatilla National Forest (Forest) Invasive Plants Treatment Project (Project) Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and Record of Decision (ROD). EPA Region 10 Project Number: 06-018-AFS.

Dear Mr. Martin:

The EPA has reviewed the above referenced FEIS and ROD in accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Clean Air Act § 309.

In our August 7, 2007 comments on the draft EIS (DEIS), EPA expressed concerns about water quality and missing information. The FEIS was responsive to our concerns. We appreciate the additional information on tribal water quality standards in Chapter 1.5 as well as updated information in Chapter 3.4 on the current 303(d) list and the 2002 Memorandum of Understanding between Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Forest Service.

We commend you and your staff for your identification of appropriate control measures and design features which minimize the risk of adverse effects.

If you have questions or you would like to discuss the above comments, please contact me at (206) 553-1601, or you may contact Erik Peterson of my staff at (206) 553-6382 or by email at [peterson.erik@epa.gov](mailto:peterson.erik@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Christine B. Reichgott".

Christine B. Reichgott, Manager  
Environmental Review and Sediment Management Unit